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Forecast: Cloudy and cool.
Temperature: High 63, low 42.
The sun rose this morning at 4:35
and will set at 8.

TOP OF ANTIMETES BEGUN BY THEIR MAJESTIES Newcastle and Fredericton, N. B., Are Visited Today

Incidents in Far East Get London's Attention

Cabinet Foreign Affairs Committee Considers Action In Event of Japanese Blockade of British and French Concessions In Tientsin—Britain Will Consider Such Action Illegal

By J. F. SANDERSON, Canadian Press Staff Writer.

LONDON, June 13.—(CP Cable)—Foreign Under-Secretary Richard Butler told the House of Commons today that the situation in Tientsin remains serious "but negotiations are still proceeding and I hope a settlement will be reached."

Mr. Butler spoke as Japanese authorities announced they would blockade the French and British concessions in the North China River port as a result of the refusal by British authorities to hand over to Japan four Chinese charged as terrorists. British officials have declined to place the four men in the hands of the Japanese without proof of their guilt.

Attempts may be made by the British Government to persuade the Japanese to accept a three-man tribunal, one of whom would be a neutral Chairman, to examine evidence against the Chinese.

LONDON, June 13.—(AP)—The Government turned from immediate consideration of European problems today to seek a solution of a difficult situation arising from a series of Anglo-Japanese incidents in the Far East.

The Cabinet Foreign Affairs Committee met to decide what action should be taken if Japanese were to blockade the British and French Concessions in Tientsin, one of the main points of Anglo-Japanese tension.

There was no intimation as to what decision was reached but official circles said British authorities at Tientsin were making every effort to avert a blockade. Great Britain already has made it clear she will consider such action illegal.

BLCKRADE THREAT.

Reports from China said Japanese authorities had threatened a blockade as the result of Britain's refusal to hand over four Chinese accused by the Japanese of terrorism.

British authorities demanded proof of the men's guilt first. The British Government was said also to be taking a "serious view" of the fact, reported by R. M. Tinker, British business man who died June 7 after a scuffle with a Japanese naval landing party in Pootung, across the Wosung River from Shanghai.

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WORKERS IN STRIKE CLASH

Rival Unions in Fight But the Plants Are Operating

FLINT, Mich., June 13.—(AP)—Members of the two United Auto Workers unions clashed today at the gates of Fisher Body Plant No. 1 but after a brief fist fight this plant and all other units of General Motors Corporation in Flint and Saginaw opened for the day.

One man was knocked out and several suffered bruises. Police said no one was severely hurt.

The General Motors strike was called last week by the U.A.W.-A.P.L. pact. The U.A.W.-C.I.O. has opposed it from the start and its members have been crossing the picket lines.

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Canada Again Welcomes Its Rulers

Returning from their triumphant four-day visit to the United States, the King and Queen returned to the ancient Province of Quebec, which was the first to welcome the Royal couple when they began their historic tour four weeks ago. Their first stop on entering Canada from the United States was at Sherbrooke, P. Q., where Their Majesties were welcomed by a crowd of wildly cheering French Canadians. The Royal couple is pictured here stepping from the Royal train at Sherbrooke.

Eccentric Australian Fired Gun Near Two Members of Royal Family



Ledwidge Vincent Lawlor Ordered Held For Trial For Firing Shots Near Duchess of Kent and Into Home of the Princess Royal—Through Counsel Says He Had No Intention of Causing Harm But Reason Remains a Mystery

LONDON, June 13.—(AP)—Ledwidge Vincent Lawlor, an eccentric middle-aged steel worker, today was ordered held for trial at Old Bailey on charges of firing shots near the Duchess of Kent and into the home of the Princess Royal.

Prosecutors at his hearing before a magistrate accused him of firing about on a bicycle with a saved-off rifle near the residences of members of the Royal Family and twice pulling the trigger.

Lawlor, an Australian, contended through his counsel, however, that he had "no intention of causing any harm."

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Smiling, Still Looking Unworned, King, Queen Respond to Greetings

THE ROYAL DAY IN NEW BRUNSWICK

By The Canadian Press. NEWCASTLE.

A.M. E.D.T.—
9:20—Arrival and reception.
9:30—Departure by motor for Fredericton.

P.M.—FREDERICTON.
12:45—Arrival and drive to Legislative Building.
1:35—Reception at Legislative Building.
1:45—Government luncheon at Beaverbrook Hall.
2:25—Drive about city.
2:40—Departure.

SAINT JOHN.
4:30—Arrival and drive about city.
5:22—Rest at Government House.
5:43—Reception at Barrack Green.
6:30—Departure.

MONCTON.
9:00—Twenty-minute stop. (Note: Times given above are the same as Atlantic standard Time and one hour slower than Atlantic Daylight Time, effective in some cities).

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Bouquet Presented At Newcastle By Great-Grand-Great-Granddaughter of First English-Speaking Settler On Miramichi River—Busy Day In Quebec As Their Majesties Were Greeted By Thousands of Country and City Folk

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Hospital Board Reply Read to City Council

Correspondence Arising Out of Request for Information re Tenders

The reply of the Board of Governors of the General Hospital to the City Council's resolution arising out of a question in regard to the tenders for the new pavilion was read in full at the Council meeting last night.

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ITALY'S PRESSURE IS PUT ON SPAIN

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RETIRE AS REGIMENTAL COMMANDER

Lieut.-Col. vanSomeren Relinquishes His Active Duties June 15

Lieut.-Col. A. P. vanSomeren, V.D., last night was on parade with the Dufferin and Halimand Rifles as its commanding officer for the last time.

He announced his retirement from the active command, effective June 15, and that Major J. Hurley, Second-in-Command, would take over the duties of commanding officer on that date.

Three and a half years ago Col. vanSomeren, at the request of the officers of the Dufferin Rifles, therefore the amalgamation of the two units revealed in the present name and with the approval of Military District No. 2, heads, came out of retirement to assume command of the Regiment.

When the reorganization of the Canadian militia took place, Col. vanSomeren was placed in the reserve and was given the rank of Major.

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Farm Visitor Killed In Dismantling Barn

Alexander Robertson, 70, Crushed to Death as Heavy Timbers Fall

Falling timbers of an old barn crushed 70-year-old Alexander Robertson to the ground Monday afternoon and caused almost instant death, only a few minutes after Mr. Robertson had cautioned Fred Rush to stand clear when the heavy timbers swayed and rumbled ready to fall.

The tragedy occurred on the farm of William B. Rush, R.R. 4, Brantford, close by the Grand River to the north of the Burford Road a short distance outside of the city.

The elderly victim had arrived at the farm for a visit only 24 hours before, for the purpose of resting in the country because of a heart condition.

Mr. Robertson, who resided at 130 Gilbert Avenue, Toronto, had come to Brantford last Wednesday and spent the remainder of the week visiting at the home of a friend.

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TO-DAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

Newcastle—Maritimes welcome Royal couple as French-Canada bids adieu.

Hall—Hall, Ontario who met King eager for Royal visitors' arrival.

Sydney—Cape Bretoners migrate to mainland for Royal visit.

Montreal—Neglected syphilis responsible for many mental cases.

Toronto—Power of church can't be taken for granted, Acadia President tells Baptists.

Midland—Presbyterians to consider sending student ministers into mission fields.

Abroad Royal Pilot Train—Directed by Queen brings admiration.

London—Britain sticks to new "revue" against force policy as envoy goes to win Moscow.

London—Great war volume reveals Emperor's failure.

London—Steel worker charged in connection with bullet hole in the head of a Royal pilot.

Royal Visit Sequel in City Council Discussion

Ottawa Committee Responsible—M.P.'s Letter Subject of Inquiry

Emphatic assertion that the Ottawa Committee and not the local Committee was responsible for the letter which was read in Brantford on the day of Their Majesties visit to this City, June 7, was made in the City Council last evening in regard to the same discussion, allegation was made.

The letter, which was the subject of a letter written by Brantford's Federal Member, W. Ross Macdonald, K.C., had been circulated, terminating the same alleged circulation "malicious," one Alderman declared.

Put the recent letter of correspondence came forward and clarify the situation. The discussion had been allowed to get beyond a result of this or some other letter, that the Brantford Committee had been arranged a parade had it so desired, it was explained in Council. This intension, it was declared, was entirely false.

Ald. Sloan first raised the question by giving a point-by-point answer as to whether the local or the Ottawa Committee was responsible for their being no Royal parade on here. The fact was that the Mayor and Aldermen and Committee had been asked to arrange a parade.

Ald. Sloan stressed.

Ald. J. P. Ryan said he was not proposing to shut any of his responsibility.

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FRENCH BARQUE CREW RESCUED BY LINER

MONTREAL, June 13.—(CP)—Thirty-four men, the entire crew of the French barque Ben Hur, were picked up by the liner Duquesne, four days after they were rescued from the sea.

The Barque, out of St. Malo, was dismasted, on fire and sinking, it was reported, when the rescue was effected.

When picked up, the 34 men at a position about 180 miles east northeast of Cape Race, the liner continued on her way to Liverpool.

ability and he did not suppose the Council would either. He did not believe in "passing the buck." At the same time, he said, his personal opinion was that "Western Ontario got a rotten deal, and that was not the responsibility of the City of Brantford."

If, as some seemed to suppose, Brantford's Committee was responsible, who was responsible for like treatment at Guelph, Kitchener, Stratford, Windsor and other points?

A telegram had been sent to the Royal train direct suggesting four alternatives. These had been refused.

Another telegram had been sent asking the train to stop in Brantford.

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C. Chief Panning To Organize 20,000

Will Drive for Members Among the Unorganized Ranks of Labor

WASHINGTON, June 13.—(AP)—John Lewis called in the Executive Board of 43 unions affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organizations today to plan a membership drive among the estimated 20,000,000 wage earners still outside the ranks of organized labor.

Lewis and the Board members also may talk with unity with the American Federation of Labor, but there is no advance sign of any new effort to resume peace conferences except on the C.I.O. proposals for a new labor movement.

The prospects of a new C.I.O. organizing campaign, timed to keep pace with accelerated activities in such industries as steel, shipbuilding, were regarded by some labor leaders as a definite sign that labor peace still was several months away.

If the Board orders a large scale drive, it will be fulfilling Lewis' statement that he would plan a meeting in New York last March that the C.I.O. "is capable of doing more than merely defend itself."

TO INJURE ADVISORY

"The Congress of Industrial Organizations," he said, "is capable of inflicting an injury upon an industry and I'm going to do it."

No since 1937 has the C.I.O. waged a big organizing campaign. The downward trend of business in 1938 forced a curtailment of membership activity.

The success of Lewis' United Mine Workers' Union in winning union agreements in the coal field, however, has touched off plans for a new drive.

There have been rumors that Lewis would try to strike at the A. F. L. by invading the building trades, and intensifying the rivalry in aircraft and ship construction.

SEEK TEXTILE SILENCE U.S.S.

Manchester Industry Heads Hopeful of Greater Exports

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., June 13.—(AP)—Manchester's textile industry may look forward to a substantial boost in its trade with the United States, according to heads of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, told newspapermen here.

At Southampton aboard the liner Mary from a five weeks' cruise, an American at the head of a tour party of 100.

During its tour the group interviewed more than 100 American officials, the organization, heads of Government officials and prominent department store owners.

Colonel Criswell said the delegation's report would deal with prospects for the cotton export trade, the wool trade, the textile trade, handkerchiefs, household goods and yarns.

He was very optimistic about the chances for an appreciable increase in trade, he added.

WOULD BE HIT

LONDON, Ont., June 13.—Should Canada's imports of phosphates and potash, of which she has no supply of her own at the present time, be stopped until the present year's crop is harvested, she has been told by the Tennessee Valley Authority, which addressed the noon luncheon at the London Rotary Club in London yesterday.

ARE ON RELIEF

One Out of Every 11 in Aid Canada Being Given Aid

OTTAWA, June 13.—(CP)—Grand totals of all classes of relief in urban and agricultural aid in April was 1,005,000, a decrease of 2.2 per cent compared with March and nearly two per cent, below April, 1938, according to preliminary figures issued Monday by Labor Minister Rogers.

Number of fully employable persons on relief was 187,000 compared with 192,000 the previous month, a decrease of 2.6 per cent. Persons receiving non-agricultural aid totalled 68,000, a decrease of 2.1 per cent from the previous month, and an increase of more than eight per cent compared with April last year.

A farm population of 319,000 persons, 264,000 of them in Saskatchewan, received agricultural aid, a decrease of more than one per cent, compared with March and 1.8 per cent compared with April, 1938. The Saskatchewan total decreased 2.1 per cent, from April last year and nearly two per cent, from March this year.

COLD'DN'T SLEEP COULDN'T WORK

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Dodd's Kidney Pills

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ROAD VISIT SEQUEL WAS DISCUSSED

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fore entering the City. To this there had been no reply.

Ald. John Bowen said he and his Committee had met the Railway officials and had gone over the blueprints in regard to the station arrangements upon which the anti-imperialists had been adamant. They had insisted on the particular type of platform erected. Instructions from the Railway also precluded the idea of moving the Royal train ahead a couple of lengths to permit those on the other side of the tracks to see their Majesties.

The Local Committee had done all in its power to elaborate the arrangements. It had wanted a parade to the Mohawk Chapel and the Bell Homestead, the Aldermen asserted.

COPY OF LETTER

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SOCIALIST LEADER DERIDES BOSS HAGUE

Meeting Staged in Jersey City on Strength of Court Decision

JERSEY CITY, N.J., June 13.—(AP)—Backed by the recent Supreme Court decision denying labor unions the right to picket, a public assembly, the American Civil Liberties Union rallied last night in Journal Square from which speakers had been summarily ejected by police in the past.

Heading the list of speakers, Socialist Leader Norman Thomas, who was escorted out of the city by police when he tried to make a speech a year ago—rhetorically deplored the trend of the decision that "now the fight is in your hands."

"No Supreme Court, by itself, can make Jersey City the kind of community to which we can point with pride, he said in his preface to the speech.

"But the people who, by reason of this Supreme Court decision have been denied the right to picket, are now under a special obligation to use these rights for the peaceful and orderly vindication of justice, unobtainable by class interest or politics; or industrial as well as political interests. The trend of the decision, whatever name he bears."

RECENT MEETING OF OKLAHOMA COUNCIL

District Farmers Explaining of Sheep Being Killed by Dogs

OKLAHOMA, June 13.—(AP)—At a recent meeting of the Oklahoma County Council, held at the home of Harold St. John, a farmer, the council discussed the problem of sheep being killed by unknown dogs. A few days later, more sheep were killed and the bodies were partly eaten by the dogs. The council decided to take action on the matter.

A small grant was made to the Scotland Police Village to help pay for the use of the swimming pool in the Scotland gravel pit. This pool is used very much during the summer months and the privilege of bathing and swimming is enjoyed by many.

The Board of Health, in a new fence ground the Oakland Cemetery and a Committee composed of the Board of Health, the Board of Public Works, and the Board of Education, was organized to study the problem of the cemetery.

CONSERVATION BILL READING

Provides for City's Share in Connection With Big River Scheme

A bill to provide for the borrowing of money up to the total of \$100,000 to be used in connection with the meeting of the \$200,000 conservation fund of the Grand River, introduced last evening by Ald. J. P. Ryan, Finance Chairman, at the City Council meeting.

Ald. Ryan said: "Let's get it moving. Anything to give our men some work on the river."

Ald. Ryan outlined the provisions of the conservation plan noting that Brantford's share of the \$200,000 fund would be \$25,000, which in turn was only 25 per cent of the grand total of \$100,000.

Registration for work on the job, as soon as it was available, would be through the Employment Service of Canada office, Ald. Ryan advised.

TO REDEEM FIRST BONDS

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Major E. L. Law was arrested as he came to Tientsin from Dairen on a Japanese steamship. He was charged with taking photos of the Third Tientsin district, the former German concession, now a forbidden zone under Japanese rule.

The Japanese Army blockade proclamation forbade all traffic between the two foreign areas, and the adjacent section of the city. Bridges across the Pel River linking them to the city proper will be raised by the Japanese.

The Chinese population of the two areas were quitting them in panic. Foreigners' servants joined the stampede. Food prices skyrocketed 20 per cent.

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Autopsy In Torso Mystery

English Police Press an Intensive Hunt for a Counterfeiter

LEEDS, England, June 13.—(CP)—An autopsy on the truncated torso of 20-year-old Edith Whitham today disclosed no trace of ravishing as police pressed an intensive search for an alleged counterfeiter believed linked with the murder.

Whitham's torso was discovered late yesterday deep in woods near Wellington Hill, about three miles from the spot near the Village of Scholes where her severed head, left arm and left leg were found Saturday.

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Michael Norton Has Been Detained by Immigration Men

QUEBEC, June 13.—(CP)—Michael Norton, detained by immigration authorities here for the past three weeks, was refused liberty by Judge G. F. Gibson, in a decision handed down in Superior Court yesterday.

Norton was taken off the liner Auranis when she docked here last month while under a writ of habeas corpus. The writ, which was granted by Judge G. F. Gibson, in a decision handed down in Superior Court yesterday.

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